

## **Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior version, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended): A method performed by an electronic commerce system having a server and an end user machine interacting through a network for secure downloading of a file from the [a] network, the method comprising steps of:  
receiving selection of a file via the network;  
receiving an order from a user for download of the selected file via the network, the order including a file identifier related to the file and an order identifier related to the order;  
verifying the file identifier based upon particular information related to the file;  
verifying the order identifier based upon particular information related to the order, including:  
determining if the order identifier is valid for the order, meaning the order identifier exists for the order;  
determining if the order identifier is active, meaning the order was not canceled before the download of the file; and  
determining if the order identifier is non-suppressed, meaning the order was not canceled after the download of the file; and  
selectively permitting the download of the file to the end user machine based upon the verification of the file identifier, the verification of the order identifier, and a number of attempted downloads of the file by the user, ~~and a number of successful downloads of the file by the user.~~
2. (canceled)
3. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the verifying the file identifier step includes verifying one or more of the following: a version identifier related to the file; a uniform resource locator for the file; or a customer identifier associated with the user.
- 4-7. (canceled).

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1[,] further including a step of verifying a transaction identifier associated with the order, and wherein the permitting step further includes permitting download of the file based upon the verification of the transaction identifier.
- 9-13. (canceled)
14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1[,] further including a step of displaying a default identification as a file name for storing the file based upon an identification of the file.
15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 14[,] further including a step of transmitting the generated file identifier for display to the user.
16. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the permitting downloading step includes denying the download of the file based upon a customer identifier associated with the user.
- 17-22. (canceled)
23. (previously presented) An electronic commerce system having a server and an end user machine interacting through a network apparatus for secure downloading of a file from the [a] network, comprising:  
a selection module for receiving selection of a file via the network;  
a receive module for receiving an order from a user for download of the selected file via the network, the order including a file identifier related to the file and an order identifier related to the order;  
a file identifier module for verifying the file identifier based upon particular information related to the file;  
an order identifier module for verifying the order identifier based upon particular information related to the order, including:

a module for determining if the order identifier is valid for the order, meaning the order identifier exists for the order;  
a module for determining if the order identifier is active, meaning the order was not canceled before the download of the file; and  
a module for determining if the order identifier is non-suppressed, meaning the order was not canceled after the download of the file; and  
a download module for selectively permitting the download of the file to the end user machine based upon the verification of the file identifier, the verification of the order identifier, and a number of attempted downloads of the file by the user, ~~and a number of successful downloads of the file by the user.~~

24. (canceled)

25. (Currently Amended) The electronic commerce system apparatus of claim 23 wherein the file identifier module includes a module for verifying one or more of the following: a version identifier related to the file; a uniform resource locator for the file; or a customer identifier associated with the user.

26-29. (canceled)

30. (Currently Amended) The electronic commerce system apparatus of claim 23[,] further including a module for verifying a transaction identifier associated with the order, and wherein the permission module further includes a module for permitting download of the file based upon the verification of the transaction identifier.

31-35. (canceled)

36. (Currently Amended) The electronic commerce system apparatus of claim 23[,] further including a module for displaying a default identification as a file name for storing the file based upon an identification of the file.

37. (Currently Amended) The electronic commerce system apparatus of claim 36[,] further including a module for transmitting the generated file identifier for display to the user.
38. (Currently Amended) The electronic commerce system apparatus of claim 23 wherein the download module includes a module for denying the download based upon a customer identifier associated with the user.
- 39-66. (canceled)
67. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein the permitting step further includes permitting download of the file based upon a number of successful downloads of the file by the user.
68. (New) The electronic commerce system of claim 23 wherein the permission module further includes a module for permitting download of the file based upon a number of successful downloads of the file by the user.